

Forming and positioning of neoheathen organizations in socio-political processes in Ukraine in the years 2000s

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Abstract

© Medwell Journals, 2015. Neoheathenism represents an extremely heterogeneous and changeable phenomenon, the forms which it generates by cooperation with radical right-wing and extremist groups may threaten public and national security that makes for necessity to study this phenomenon. The study brings to light the problem of changes of neoheathen ideas in the period of the socio-political conflict in Ukraine and embedding them into ideology of ultra-democratic groups acting in "euromaidan". The leading approach to investigating this problem is an activity approach that implies the determinant of narrowing of differences tendency and duplicating activity of neoheathens and radical right-wingers. On the whole, the results of investigation allow to suggest rapprochement of neoheathen ideology with extremist groupings, forming of neoheathen subculture in the environment neonazi groups and ideological break among neoheathen associations. The materials of the article can be useful for historians, political scientists, students of religion, sociologists, state apparatus workers.

Keywords

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